MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: I only said that I believe that people have been informed, this is the usual custom.

Vernacular Middle School for South Ariad.

44. *MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) Whether they have received representations in 1114 M. E. from the Public of South Ariad and Ariad North Pakuthies in the Ambalapuzha Taluk, requesting to raise the South Ariad vernacular Primary School into a Vernacular Middle School;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether any departmental enquiries or investigations have been made by the Director of Public Instruction on the representations; and

(*c*) the result of such representations and investigations?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) and (*c*) The matter is under consideration.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: May I know from the honourable member the date of the first representation on this matter by the people of the locality?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: It was before the re-opening of the schools last year.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: May I know the result of the enquiries?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: Sanction has been accorded.

Fee concession to the students belonging to Panan Community.

45. * MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether fee concession is given to the students belonging to *Panan* community;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, the reasons for the same;

(*c*) the percentage of literacy both in Malayalam and in English among the members of this community; and

(*d*) whether they were given the fee concession before the revision of the rules relating to the fee concession?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of answer to part (*a*).

(*c*) Information is not available.

(*d*) Yes.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the Government whethe the fee concession is given to the students of this community studying in the English schools?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: Yes.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the Government whether any representation has been submitted to the Director of Public Instruction regarding fee concession by students belonging to this community in the Hindu High School, Tiruvella?

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MR. A. GOPALA MENON: Representations have been received, but I cannot locate this particular one.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the nature of the representation?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: I am not in a position to place my hand on the paper just now. It is a big file.

Location of the Chengannur Dispensary building.

46. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have stated in the Sri Mulam Assembly on the 11th July 1938 that a site has been fixed for the location of the Chengannur Dispensary building and that a sum of Rs. 14,000 has been ordered to be provided in the P. W. D. Budget for 1114 for the acquisition of land and construction of a building; and

(*b*) the steps taken in the matter?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Nothing further has been done for want of funds.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the Government whether they have acquired any site for locating the building?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: I do not think anything has been done. The site has been selected but I do not think it has been acquired.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the Government why the Chief Engineer did not make any provision for the acquisition of the land and for the construction of the building as per the order issued by the Government?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: Provision was made but allotment could not be made.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the Government whether the Chief Engineer had recommended the inclusion of a provision for this purpose at the time of preparing the Budget for the last year?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: I am afraid that communications between the Chief Engineer and Government are confidential.

Construction of an outlet at Purakkad.

47. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) with reference to the answer to question No. 238 published at page 943 of Vol. XII Assembly Proceedings, whether they have taken any steps for constructing a proper outlet at Purakkad in the Ambalapuzha taluk for diverting the flood water to the Arabian Sea; and

(*b*) the details of the works hitherto done by the P. W. D. in connection with this and the delay for the commencement of construction?

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